

Oakville

Oakville, Nov. 25. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wells and Mrs. Eugene Dunaway, of Farmville, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Page last Thursday. They visited their sister, Mrs. James Stagle, who is a patient at the Virginia Baptist Hospital, that afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Owen, of Concord, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Owen.

T. E. Owen is some better at the time of this writing.

Mrs. Grace Sway and Nathan Garrett visited Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Garrett Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Harvey spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lewis and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hamilton last Sunday.

Lewis Doss and Joan Ed Simon spent several days here last week. Robert Doss spent last week-end in Lynchburg with his aunt.

Oakville, Nov. 25. Miss Martha Martin spent the week-end in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Moore.

Misses Pearl Henry, Ella Lewis, and Marie Owens were dinner guests Friday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walker Walton.

Kenneth Moore, of West Virginia is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Moore.

Miss Marie Owens will spend Thanksgiving with her sister, near Goshen, Virginia.

Jesse Harvey Jr. has returned to his work at Dove, Virginia, after being a few days with his parents.

Miss Ella Bruce Lewis will leave Tuesday for Richmond, where she will spend Thanksgiving, as a delegate to the Teachers' State Convention. She will be accompanied by Miss Pearl Henry.

Mrs. Marshall Hunter is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Martin.

Many children are back in school now, after recovering from mumps.

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IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL Lesson

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Lesson for November 29

Scripture Text: Matthew 18:15-17, Acts 13:24-25; 1 Timothy 2:1-2; John 13:34-35

THE MISSION OF THE CHURCH

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The church is the greatest institution in all the world, with the most widespread membership and influence.

This is true from a purely secular or worldly standpoint. Then, when we realize that here is more than a human organization, for it is the means through which God is manifesting His power to the world, we see the supreme importance of understanding the church and our relationship to it.

This week we stress the mission of the church. We note seven things:

I. Holiness of Life (Matt. 18:15-17)

In a time when general standards of decency and honesty are low, and no one wants to be his brother's keeper, the church needs to be reminded that part of its mission is to maintain holiness in life and the relationship of one to another.

Notice that man's attitude toward his fellowman is first a matter for personal attention, then it becomes a matter of interest to the church, and if no response is found there, the offending individual is excluded and put in the hands of God. Be sure to observe that all this is done to "gain" or win him back, not for revenge or in bitterness.

II. Witness in Divine Power (Acts 1:8)

The witness bears testimony to that which he has experienced, and in the case of Christian experience he is assured of divine power in carrying out his sacred task.

The world would have laughed (and possibly did) at the idea of a small group of humble believers making the gospel effective simply by telling others about the Saviour—but it worked, because God's power was in it.

III. Unity in Faith and Practice (Acts 2:42)

The early church had not yet been split up by the philosophies of men and the vagaries of doctrine, which have since divided God's people. It was His purpose that His people should be one in Him, setting what would recall before we divide them just to promote some theory of interpretation.

IV. Service, Spiritual and Social (Acts 6:1-4)

The church rightly put the emphasis on the spiritual. The leaders who had gifts for ministry of the Word did not permit themselves to be diverted into social service. Too many in the church have failed at that point. Even the good work is the mortal enemy of the best.

At the same time the early church did not neglect social needs. Men were appointed to care for them. In all too many instances the modern church has failed to minister to the social needs even of its own people and has weakly (and one fears gladly) turned them over to social agencies. What a pity!

V. Love—in Deed as Well as in Word (Acts 11:27-30)

Talking about the need of others, wishing them God's blessing, saying a devotional prayer asking God to bless and help them, is not sufficient, in fact it is not Christian at all (see James 2:14-17).

Love acts. It gives. It serves. It proves faith by works. It translates the gospel into a language an unbelieving world can understand.

VI. Obedience to the Holy Spirit (Acts 12:1-3)

God has certain plans for the work of the church in the world, and be sure that they are no small or indifferent plans. His mighty agent in bringing His will to pass in the world is the third person of the Trinity, the Holy Spirit. If the church will respond to His guidance and be subject to His control, the work of God may go on unhindered.

But just there, Christian friends, the church has most gloriously failed. The early church was directed of the Holy Spirit to set apart Paul and Barnabas for the work of missionaries and evangelists. Knowing as we do the marvelous results of their ministry, we shudder at the thought of what might have happened if the church had disobeyed the Holy Spirit that day!

VII. Fellowship (1 John 1:3)

Here is the great secret of spiritual life and growth—Christian fellowship. And notice with care the place for it is in the church. If we do not come to the church we deprive ourselves and others of the opportunity for fellowship. The matter of church attendance (and twice on Sunday is not too much) needs to be put on our consciences last week by our absence bear an anti-church testimony before our neighbors. But even before our neighbors! But even before our neighbors!

Remember that our own level of fellowship with God's people is the

Hixburg News

Hixburg, Nov. 24. The home demonstration club meeting was held Thursday morning at the home of Mrs. E. P. Sears. An interesting and profitable demonstration was given on Meat Cutting by Mr. Herring.

Miss Ruth Swan and Sydney Beckwith, of Newport News, were recent guests of W. A. Sway.

Mrs. E. M. Sears and Mrs. J. T. Hix spent Tuesday with Mrs. Pearl Marshall.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Carson and son and Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Drinkard spent Sunday with Mrs. Margie Alsch, of Prospect.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Covington and son spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Winston Ferguson, of Hollywood.

A mission study class was held Sunday afternoon in the home of the W. M. U. president. The book for study was "If Two Agree."

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. McPhillips and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Garlinghouse, of Evergreen Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. J. K. Marshall, who has been spending some time with her parents, returned to her home here Sunday. J. K. Marshall is spending a few days at home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Harwood and Mrs. Barbara Hix, of Richmond, visited relatives here Sunday.

Rev. W. M. Black will preach here Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

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(Omitted last week)
The East and West Bound Sunday School Union will convene with the Gravel Sunday School on the fifth Sunday in this month at 10:30 A. M. The public is invited to attend.

A large crowd attended the regular preaching service at the Galilee Baptist Church last Sunday. The pastor, Rev. Yates, preached a very helpful sermon on the text, "Thanksgiving." The church choir rendered special music. The offering was \$30.00.

A Queen's Rally will be given at the Promise Land Baptist Church on the Second Sunday night at 8 P. M.

Private Vann Patterson, of the Army spent several days with his parents and friends.

Private Edward Gibson of the Army spent several days at his home in Evergreen.

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